easurable anticipations that have permeed all Richmonders for the past week are have come. When that blazing ninminary called the sun goes down to-

carnestness.

All this week the people have been preparing for it. Many, especially the women, lawe done so with a struggle. They have been jostled, pushed, stared at, and crowded uncomfortably in stores, street cars, and other public places, and the gifts they will send to-day with sweet little notes should be all the more dearer to the recipients. It is one of the joys of the season to receive one of those gifts, however small it may be, for woman has a way of giving them to ber friend, lover, brother or husband that mankind has never reached.

Poor man! he goes about it with the ruggedness of a mountain, but the woman has that sincerity comparable to the lake below.

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Then, too, to-night the children will have their dreams of weeks fulfilled. Dear old Santa Claus will hitch up his sleigh to-night and glide all over the country just after the little boys and girls have hung up their stockings. He is a faithful old man; a jolly cuss. He has a little round face, and he goes about the world making a lot of children happy. Take Santa Claus away, and what would Christmas be for the little ones?

EGG-NOG. EGG-NOG.

At the clubs to-night the erg-nog will be the chief beverage, and many will be the cups quaffed in best wishes to the company.

cups quaffed in best wishes to the company. The egg-nog, like Santa Claus, is an institution of the season.

And then the pop-crackers to-night. They playle unimportant part in the proceedings. Many are the cities that don't allow the small boy to fire his crackers. But Richmond is a good city to the small boy. He can pop as much as he pleases, Christmas day blow all the breathe out of his body through a tin horn, and really enjoy him.

self.

It is a merry time is Christmas for Richmond residents. The people conduct themselves orderly, a large precentage go to church, and there is with all (except the small boy) a quietness and soberness commendable and complimentary.

It is a grand time, and to-night is the time that some good old person wrote about years ago when they said:

"It was the night before Christmas,"

"it was the night before Christmas, And all through the house, Not a creature was stirring. Not even a mouse. The stockings were hung by the chimneys with care, With hopes that M. Nicholas Soon would be there."

CHRISTMAS NOTES. e men of the Vulcan Iron Works pre-d Mr. C. D. Duke, manager of the rol-nil, with a splendid gold-ring, with blood stone setting, yesterday, as a

A double Masonic pin was presented if. E. L. Rome, rolling-millsmith, by fr. C. D. Duke.

A supper was given last night at Murphy's by Mr. C. W. Warrenton to the rolling-mill hands and manager.

The yule log will be kept burning all day at the Young Men's Christian Association building. All young men, especially those living away from home, are cordially invited. An attractive programme has been arranged, and refreshments will be served. A good time is assured to all who may be present.

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The drawback or rebate authorized will be allowed and paid by the Commissioner of Internal Revenue upon proof satisfactory to him under rules and regulations stated classe where.

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claims for rebate will be furnished to each used on certain buildings. In accordance with that law, the City Council passed an ordinance (approved November 7, 1880), requiring the owners of each factory, workshop, notel, school building, and hospital of over three stories in height, and each theatre and public place of amusement, to place on the outside of their buildings a fire-escape, to consist of iron stairways, with iron hand-rails leading from a platform at each story.

The other section of the ordinance read as follows:

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"The Board of Fire Commissioners are hereby requested to make it the duty of the Chief of the Fire Department to see that the requirements contained in the first section be duly complied with.

"Any owner or owners of any such building who shall fail to comply with the provisions of this ordinance by the first day of January, 1291, shall be fined not less than twenty-five dollars, nor more than one hundred dollars, for each month that they shall fail to provide such fire-escape.

"This ordinance shall be in force within five days from the time that the same shall have been fully published in accordance with Section 21 of the charter of the city of Richmond."

The term 'factory package,' as used in the fact of December 15, 1896, is understood to mean any package, from a half ounce upwards, which is required by law to have an internal revenue tax paid-stamp affixed.

"The College library has been presented with a beautiful twenty-ince terrestrial globe, handsomely mounted. The donor is Mrs. Mary W. Thomas, whose former benefits to the college are well remembered.

"Tobacco on which a tax of more than been paid may be included in the inventory with other to bacco, but the rate of rebate thereon will be bacco, but the rate of rebate thereon will be accordance with Section 21 of the charter of the city of the same as on other tax paid tobacco, viz.

HORSE RECORD.

Entries and Results at Guttenburg and diffiction.

Richmond."

Leaving out the requirements of one of the above sections the Board of Fire Commissioners held a meeting some months ago and appointed a committee to select suitable fire-escapes. This was done, as several have already been creeted in this city.

Major N. V. Randolph has placed one on his box factory, and one is being placed on Mr. T. C. Williams' tobacco factory.

Chief Fuller has been industriously working in the matter for some time, and but very few buildings which require fire-escapes will be devoid of them-in January next.

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Manchester Matters.

Mr. Walter T. Cottrell, of Birmingham,
Ala., and Miss Dora Cournow were married Monday night at 9 o'clock at the WestEnd Methodist church, in Swansboro. The
ceremony was performed by the pastor,
Rev. T. P. Wise. The ushers were Messrs.
H. Watson Cottrell (best man), Ernest W.
Moore, George C. Wise, and John W.
Clarke.

Marriage licenses were issued yesterday

Accidentally Kills His Playmate.

Edward Bradley is a colored boy about eleven years old. He fived at No. 5 west Canal street, and on Monday he was playing with another colored boy named Clarence Brown. A third colored boy came up and began to tease the two boys. Brown took up a brick and threw it at the third in dividual. It missed the mark, however, and Bradley received the blow. He complained of no pain, however, and went on playing. Yesterday he was seized with lockjaw, and Dr. Sp'ers George was summoned. Nothing could be done, and yesterday are was seized with lockjaw, and Dr. Sp'ers George was summoned. Nothing could be done, and yesterday are was seized with lockjaw, and Dr. Sp'ers George was summoned. Nothing could be done, and yesterday are was seized with lockjaw, and Dr. Sp'ers George was summoned. Nothing could be done, and yesterday are was seized with lockjaw, and Dr. Sp'ers George was summoned. Nothing could be done, and yesterday afternoon Bradley died. The Coroner was summoned, and will hold an inquest to-day. Brown was arrested and carried to the Second police-station.

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Walter D. Moses & Co., 1005 Main street (opposite postofice).

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Academy Officers.

The regular meeting of the Academy of Medicine and Surgery was held hast night. The only business transacted was the election of the officers for the case of the control of the second pollocome of the second pollocome.

The reports of the retiring officers were received.

Mr. J. T. Delancy.

IN THE COURTS. Bar-Room Open Sunday-Mr. Parker's

Police Court.-Hill & Frayner were charged yesterday with keeping their bar-room open on Sunday. The evidence showed that they were engaged in re-modeling the bar counter, and had four men at work. They were each fined \$2 for work.

Joseph R. Pollard, charged with betraying Susan E. Cole under promise of mariage. The case was continued until Dember 31st.

Reuben Johnson (colored) was fined \$10 yesterday, the only business of much importance which came before the union was

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Reuben Johnson (colored) was fined \$10 for beating his wife.

James Robinson (colored) was sent to jail for thirty days for scealing \$1.

Walton & Brother were fined \$10 for using city water without paying for it.

William Butler (colored) was charged with assaulting and beating Annie Stokes.

The case was sent on to the grand jury.

City Circuit Court.—Judgment was claimed by the great of the confessed yesterday in the suit of Edell Brothers against Isham H. Jenkins for \$218.

Judgments were entered in the two coupon cases of Nimmo against the Commonwealth and Harvey Blair against the Commonwealth and Harvey Blair against the Commonwealth in favor of the petitioners.

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United States District Court.—The case of Shackleford against the schooner Cummings was heard before Judge Hughes yesterday. This was on a libel in admiralty for breach of charter-party. Decision was for respondant, and the libel dismissed at libeliant's costs.

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Chancery Court.—The will of the late Truman A. Parker was admitted to probate vesterday, and bis widow, Mrs. Sallie It. Parker, qualified, without security, as executrix. The estate is valued at \$100,000, and the will provides that the moneys derived from life insurance policies be first applied to the payment of debts, and the remainder to be invested in real estate, or in the improvement of such vacantiots as were owned by the deceased in Henrico county. "The proceeds from my lumber business," it continues, "are to be invested in real estate except that a payment of \$500 be made to my brother, George A. Parker, for faithful services.

executor."

A decree was entered in the divorce suit of Mrs. Goldie Lee Luchenburg against Joseph Luchenburg. Judge S. B. Witt occupied the bench and ordered a decree restraining the husband from in any way interfering with his wife or her property. The

Clifton. mas bolidays. Exercises will be suspended for a week.

Athletic and Musical.

First roce, three quarters of a mile, besten horses—Josie M first, Baliston second, Faelal B third. Time 1: 6%.
Second race, five and a haif furiongs, self-ing—Francis 8 first, a lma, filty, second, Patrick third. Time 1: 6%.
Third race three quarters of a mile, mathens—Miss Colville first, Little Willie second, Ogne third. Time 1: 16%.
Fourth race, one mile, selling—Myfellow first, Brussels second, Trestle third. Time
1182%.
Fell Into a Trench.

Athletic and Musical.

The last house which has been erected at Barton Heights is the wigwam, a neat building 20x40, which has just been completed. It will be the temporary home of the Athletic and Musical Association. All public meetings will be held there, and it will probably be used Sundays as a place of worship.

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For Week Ending Directmers 27, 1830

Fell Into a Treach.

A lady, whose name is unknown, stepped off a street car near the corner of Twenty-sixth race, seven-eighths of a mile, selling-land fished first. Here seems attracted the attention of two men, who rescued her from her perilous position. She was found to be more scared than hurt.

First race, five-eighths of a mile, selling— Dixie, Lomax, Chapman, Cora Tanner, 112; Austerland, Redbird, 109; Freedom, Not Guilty, Prince Karl, Fusue, Cecelia, Conser, 106; Groomsman, 103; Lakewood, Meade, 109.

Clarke.

Marriage licenses were issued yesterday to Mr. John W. Lunson and Miss Mary E. Clifford, and Mr. Early V. Campbell and Miss Emma B. Taylor.

The funeral of Miss Rebecca T. Utely took place yesterday afternoon, at 2:50 o'clock, from the Central church.

Henderson Lodge, I. O. O. F., will have its annual Christmas reunion to-morrow night.

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HOW IT WAS DONE.

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The students are scattering for the Christ

Athletic and Musical.

Cargo for Liverpool.

Thomas Thornton (colored) was arrested vesterday charged with stealing \$10 and a gold collar button from Charles Ham. He will be before the Police Court to-day.

There will be no steamer from West Point or Baltimore to-morrow, nor will there be any steamers from either of these ports on New Year's Day.

There will be an all-day market to-day, but no market to-morrow.

At the meeting of the street-car men, which was held between midnight and day vesterday, the only business of much importance which came before the union was toe issuing of an address. This was signed by the Street-Car Men's Brotherhood and Beneficial Union, and is as follows:

Clorinda A. Hitchings, of Newton, Mass., will be married New Year's Day, and on January the 15th and 22d the young couple will be at home to their friends on Barton Heights. Dr. Shields, member of the corps of physicians of the Eastern Lunatic Asylum, was

Ex-Police Justice Richardson will spend thristmas with his relatives in New Kent ounty.

Mr. Wythe, of the Telephone Exchange, xpects to engage in a fox chase in Charles lity Christmas-day.

The public would do well to look out for a tall, spare woman, who is going the rounds on a begging expedition. When refused alms she becomes very insulting.

The semi-annual interest on the city bonds will be due the 1st of January, and the clerks in the Auditor's office are busy preparing to pay it. Another keyless fire alarm box has been placed in position. It is at the corner of Ninth and Main streets.

Property Transfers.

Rich wond City.—W. L. Carneal and W. Creed Pavis to Rosa B. Winston, lot on east side Hickory street, near Calhoun, \$700.

F. V. Chamberlavne's trustee to Alfred J., Polly, and Alexander Thompson, Jr., 28 feet on south side Jackson street, between Adams and St. Peter, \$1,100.

Luia E. Leake to Frederick Pleasants, 30 feet on south side for the street of the policy of the policy

Lula E. Leake to Frederick Pleasants, 30 feet on east side Fourth street, \$8,000.

J. J. Montague to Annie, wife of C. G. Lambert, 30 feet on south side Floyd street, between Cherry and Linden, \$10,500.

W. D. Thompkins to E. L. Thompkins, 53% feet on east side Foushee street, near Cary, \$1,974.39.

Garret F. Watson to St. Paul's Church's trustees, pew No. 101 in St. Paul's church, 55.

Susan and Andrew Weisman 40 W. T. Christmas morning at and G. W. Smoot, 36 feet on north side Marthall street, between First and Second, 10 o'clock at our Stove.

Northside Land Company to Mary T. Car-ter, lot 9, square 22, \$200. Same to C. A. Leighton, lot 10, square 26,

and lot 6, square 35, \$400. Same to Marie Gerdy, lot 7, square 19

George D. Pleasants to East Virginia Land and Improvement Company, 25 65-100 feet on Oakwood avenue, adjoining W. L. Cowardin's estate, to correct former deed, them like the car men have.

Now we again ask the kind public to judge for themselves in this matter if we are uncassonable in our requests, and all those who mink our requests not unreasonable will please use their influence in helping us to text these grievances abated and in obtaining the little relief we ask for.

Hoping this will be favorably considered by the cligens of this city, and that they will tend us a helping hand it will be highly appreciated. \$5. W. F. Pleasants to Luia E. Leake, 17034 feet on Floyd avenue, northwest corner of Vine street, \$8,678.19.

Bargains in Upright Planes.

Walter D. Moses & Co., 1005 Main street opposite postoffice).

Take! Take! Take Simmons Liver Regu-ater for dyspepsia, constipation, and heart-

TAYLOR - JOHN-ON, - Married, December 16th, by the Rev. Dr. Cooper, Mr. 1414; 10:05 A. TAYLOR, of Riemond, to MillLLEC, JOHN ON, of Powhatan.

Vited,

TATE,—Died, at Oak Grove, New Kent county, at 2:10 o'clock, A. M., MARIA
JANE WILLINETT, the daughter of George
C. Tate and Mary E. C. Tate; aged ten years, four months, and seventeen days.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 23.—For Virginia and North Carolina: Fair wednesday and Thursday; norto-westerly winds; much colder, with a cold wave.

FOR WEEK ENDING DECEMBER 27, 1899 PREDICTED TIME (STANDARD) OF HIGH TIDE AT

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PORT OF NEWPORT NEWS, DECEMBER 23.

ARRIVED
Steamship Crown, Savannah, to coal; steamship Berkshire, Providence, and sailed for west Point; steamship that ham, Boston, and sailed for Battlmore; schooner Crescent, New York, to load coal. PORT OF WEST POINT, DECEMBER 23.

Steamship Charlotte, Nickle, Baltimore, merchandise and passengers; steamer Fim City, Eaton, Walkerton, merchandise. SAILED.

Your Last Chance. ONLY ONE DAY

This is the last opportunity you will have

WAY OF GIFTS ARE YET TO BE

John W. Jones was locked up in the second police-station yesterday upon the charge of beating his mother. Justice Crutchfield will look into the case to-day.

O'clock to-night no tide, and in preference to carrying them over, we are willing to let all go at actual cost. We have a full line of appropriate

A SPECIAL FEATURE

Many of the large manufacturing establishments will stop work to any and will resume again Monday.

Mr. William Bradley, of the Fredericksburg Free Lance, was in the city yesterday buying Christmas gifts.

Teader' will the remainder of our stock of WOOL.

rave made the most startling reductions to

THE BOOMER.

Dan. Packard.

SPECIAL SALE

Before Christmas. BLANKETS AND CLOAKS

EVERYTHING HAS BEEN MARKED PALAIS ROYAL, DOWN TO ACTUAL COST, AND SOME

117 East Broad.

W. H. SANDS, Receivers. D. WHITLOCK,

Store for Rent. Fixtures for Sale.



FROM LOOKING FOR BARGAINS

H.M.STARKE & CO. Big Rush, but Our Stock is Unbroken,

Dressing Cases, Shaving and Smoking Sets, PENS, PENCIES, TOOTHPICKS, BUTTON HOOKS, HYMN BOO denominations), PRAYER AND HYMNALS (chospest in town), FINE STATIONERY, ILLUSTRATED BOOKS, STANDARD SETS, and others too numerous to mention, BOOKLETS and CHRISTMAS CARDS in any quantity at one

H. M. STARKE & CO., 909 Main St

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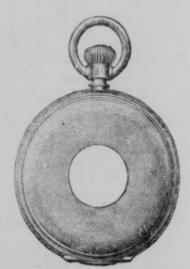
HAVE REDUCED THE PRICES OF EVERY ARTICLE IN THEIR IMMENSE STOCK, AS IS THEIR IN COMMEMORATION OF THEIR

Twelfth Annual Reduction Sale!



GOLD WATCHES in every style of cases at prices to suit all purses.

DIAMONDS, both Solitaire and Cluster, in Rings, Scarf-Pins, Lace-Pins, Ear-Rings, Bracelets and Necklaces, varying from \$5.00 to \$500. Many of these goods were purchased



Steamship Venezia, Bremen, cotton; steamship Charlotte, Nekle, Baltimore, nerchandise, steamship Charlotte, Nekle, Baltimore, nerchandise, and passengers.

BEFORE the RECENT HEAVY ADVANCE IN PRICES.

SILVER AND SILVER-PLATED Toilet and Novel SILVER AND SILVER-PLATED Toilet and Novelty Goods in endless variety.

JEWELRY, Clocks, and Bronzes all at the lowest prices. Gold and Silver-Head Canes and Umbrellas, an unusual large stock, and at the mark-down figures.

We ENGRAVE all goods FREE of charge. Remember the number, Main Street.

JEWELERS. GODDARD & MOSES.

BOYS! The last half of the year's city taxes are being paid in quite freely. Those who wish to avoid being posted as delinquents had better walk up to Captain Cunningham's office and settle.

To-day is the last for guessing. After 10 10:30

Messrs. Whitty of "The A tin wedding was eclebrated Mon lay night by Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Butler, of Church Hill. A number of presents testified the appreciation of their friends.

Messes. Whiting of "The State," Price of "The State," Ellyson of "The Dispatch," and Owen,

> THT TID PUMPKIN,

BRINE

To the fortunate Boy. Thursday morning's papers will tell you who Kaufmann & Co.

A. Saks & Co.

ATLANTIC COAST LINE, IOND AND PETERSRURG RAILROAD, FREIGHT DEPARTMENT, RC HNOND, VA., Dec 22, 1890. the first company will be CLOSED HERSDAY, December 25th, CHRISEMAS DAY. No pertshable freight will be received WEDNESDAY, December 21th. de 23-34 JOHN C. JAMES, Agent. 234.

THE FREIGHT DEPOTS OF THIS The hours of 11:00 and 11:30 A, M. NO PERI-ISHABLE FREIGHT will be received on WEDNESDAY, December 24, 1890. de 24-21.

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